

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE Northern District of Illinois – CM/ECF NextGen 1.7.1.1  
Eastern Division**

E-Link Plastic & Metal Industrial Co., Ltd.

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No.: 1:23-cv-16802

Honorable Jeffrey I Cummings

Defendant.

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**NOTIFICATION OF DOCKET ENTRY**

This docket entry was made by the Clerk on Tuesday, December 19, 2023:

MINUTE entry before the Honorable Jeffrey I Cummings: This case has been assigned to the calendar of Judge Jeffrey I. Cummings. Plaintiff's motion for leave to file under seal [8], plaintiff's motion for temporary restraining order [4], and plaintiff's motion for alternative service [6] are entered and continued. Upon review of the complaint and the TRO submissions, the Court sua sponte raises the propriety of joinder of over 100 defendants in this case. See, e.g. *Estee Lauder Cosmetics Ltd. v. Schedule A*, 334 F.R.D. 182 (N.D.Ill. 2020). By 1/5/24, plaintiff shall file a supplemental memorandum addressing the propriety of joinder in light of the principles described in *Estee Lauder*. In the alternative, plaintiff has leave to file an amended complaint with a smaller subset of defendants along with its memorandum explaining specifically why each defendant is properly joined to all of the others. *Estee Lauder*, 334 F.R.D. at 189. Mailed notice (cc, )

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